

SCRIPTURE TRACK

Scripture Track - Week 12 Apologetics - Biblical Prophecy - December 5, 2021

What is a "Prophecy," anyway?

- A prophecy is the future told in advance by God through a prophet. The Old Testament contains about FOUR HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE prophecies about the Messiah.
- A "prophet" proclaims God's will and often the future to the people as divine inspiration leads.

Why is Understanding Prophecy/Fulfillment Important?

- God's Hand in History.
- God's Sovereignty not the Prophets' Genius.
- Establishing Jesus as Messiah.

Requirements for Prophets

- Prophets and prophecy are found throughout the Bible
- Prophets spoke from God
- Prophets gave signs/predictions that proved the validity of the message
- A prophet who prophesied something untrue was to die

Study of Prophecy

- Much of the prophecy from the Old Testament [has been] fulfilled
- Some Old Testament prophecy has not been fulfilled
- Some New Testament prophecy has been fulfilled
- Some New Testament prophecy has not been fulfilled

Through studying fulfilled prophecy we see:

- God's sovereign hand in history.
- Jesus as the fulfillment of God's plan of redemption.
- Indirect Benefit: Indisputable proof of the reliability of the Scriptures